

<b>T/I Rule Review - Review Assignments (Group # 2 Geographic Scope and Plan Conten</b>					
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<b>Key question number</b>	<b>FPR Rule Sec.</b>	<b>FPR Title or general subject</b>	<b>Review Issues</b>	<b>Key Questions</b>	<b>Assigned Review Group</b>
52	no specific rule section	Geographic Scope	Science basis	The Scientific Review Panel report that provided the basis for this rule package emphasized its applicability only in coastal areas, yet the rules are applied to inland regions as well. Are the T/I rules appropriate for all geographic locations where listed species are found? Should rules be specific for inland regions of the state? (ref L3-1; L3-3)	TAC Agencies CAL FIRE
53	no specific rule section	Geographic Scope	Consistency with other agency policies and laws	What is the science or a demonstrated problem with operations in the Southern Subdistrict requiring the need of the operational specificity of T/I rules? Many watersheds on the Central Coast of California meet the T/I geographic scope, however, the prescriptive measures called for in the rules are not tailored to the light-touch single-tree selection harvesting, with low-key road infrastructure, that leaves an intact forest from the creek to the ridge top. Should these silvicultural and forest operational practices be subject to a different, less restrictive, set of statewide prescriptive regulation? (L4-1; L4-3)	Agencies CAL FIRE
54	§ 895.1	Definitions	Consistency with other agency policies and laws	Does the "watersheds with threatened or impaired values" definition reflect geographic scope consistent with your agency's laws and policies?	Agencies
55	no specific rule section	Geographic Scope	Science Basis Consistency with other agency policies and laws	Currently, the "threatened" component of the T/I rules is only applied if a portion of a planning watershed contains threatened, endangered, or candidate species under the Endangered Species Act, or can be restored to the point that these species can access the watershed (i.e., removing artificial barriers). As a result, "non-restorable" planning watersheds within the same drainage basin, but wholly outside the anadromous zone, do not receive any T/I rule protection. Should some aspects of the T/I rules be applied to upstream planning watersheds that are completely outside the anadromous zone because watercourses "integrate watershed processes and translate natural and anthropogenic disturbances downslope through the landscape" (Buffington et al., 2003) , and successful restoration requires that watershed processes and linkages be considered? (ref L14-1, L16-4, L17-2)	TAC Agencies CAL FIRE

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56	no specific rule section	Geographic Scope	Science basis Consistency with other agency policies and laws	The current T/I Rule protection measures for Class I watercourses likely meet the protection requirements for North Coast temperature TMDLs when applied throughout the impaired watershed. Application only to the limit of anadromy is not fully protective. What is the science, legal or policy basis this? (ref L17-4)	TAC Agencies CAL FIRE
57	no specific rule section	Geographic Scope Cumulative impacts analysis	Science Basis Consistency with other agency policies and laws	To be responsive to the potential for cumulative effects, the spatial scale of applicability of the TI rules must expand beyond a T/I watershed area to consider T/I rules in those "non-TI" watersheds that flow into a "T/I" watershed. What is the science, legal or policy basis this? (ref L17-3).	TAC Agencies CAL FIRE
58	no specific rule section	Plan Prep	Consistency with other agency policies and laws	Specific inadequacies in plan preparation/THP approval process have been identified in the Federal Register as part of a federal ESA species listing procedure. These include dependence upon RPFs that may not possess the necessary level of multidisciplinary technical expertise to develop THPs protective of salmonids. Does this situation still exist and what are the science or other technical information supporting the statements?(ref L15-3)	Agencies CAL FIRE
59	no specific rule section	Plan Prep	Consistency with other agency policies and laws	Specific inadequacies in plan preparation/THP approval process have been identified in the Federal Register as part of a federal ESA species listing procedure. These include dependence by CDF on other State agencies to review and comment on THPs. Does this situation still exist and what are the science or other technical information supporting the statements? (ref L15-4)	Agencies CAL FIRE
60	no specific rule section	Plan Prep	Consistency with other agency policies and laws	Specific inadequacies in plan preparation/THP approval process have been identified in the Federal Register as part of a federal ESA species listing procedure. These include failure by CDF to incorporate recommendations from other agencies, inadequate enforcement due to staff limitations, and inadequate Timber Harvest Plan preparation, review implementation, and validity. Does this situation still exist and what are the science or other technical information supporting the statements? (ref L15-5)(ref L15-9)	Agencies CAL FIRE